

The Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Claims 1-21 (Canceled).

Claim 22. (New) A method for the treatment of atrophy or aging of the skin in women, comprising administering to a female subject in need thereof a topical skin preparation comprising a testosterone ester of an acid having between six to eleven carbon atoms provided that the topical skin preparation does not comprise estrogen or estrogen derivatives.

Claim 23 (New) The method according to claim 1, wherein the testosterone ester is testosterone phenyl propionate.

Claim 24. (New) The method according to claim 2, wherein the testosterone phenyl propionate is in a concentration of 0.1-3% by weight of the total preparation.

Claim 25 (New) The method according to claim 1, wherein the topical skin preparation is in the form of an oil solution.

Claim 26 (New) The method according to claim 6, wherein the oil is a medium chain triglyceride.